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Applicant of: Masferrer, J.L.
Serial No.: **10/692,643**
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TREATMENT OF CANCER
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 4, 2004

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated October 4, 2004 in the above-referenced application, and is submitted within the 1 month shortened statutory period set for reply, accordingly no fee for extension of time is believed payable.

Claims 1-23 are pending in the application. By the present Office Action, Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. §121 to elect for examination a single disclosed species of Cox-2 selective inhibitor from those recited in the claims.

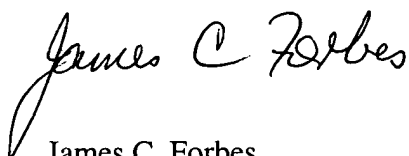
Applicant elects without traverse the species wherein the Cox-2 selective inhibitor is celecoxib. The claims that read on the elected species are Claims 1-4, 8-13, 17-19 and 23.

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Should any questions remain in relation to the present Office Action, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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